

I. In the Claims:

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Claim 1 (previously presented): A method for switching between browser mode and video mode in a standalone CD-ROM system for playing a CD-ROM disk, comprising the steps of:

selecting, within the browser mode, a video for playback;
switching from the browser mode to a video mode;
playing the selected video in the video mode; and
returning to the browser mode to enable the user to resume browsing
the content of the CD-ROM disk,

wherein the switching step further comprises the steps of:
reserving a portion of a memory other than the CD-ROM disk;
storing a return address in the reserved portion of the memory; and
storing the starting and ending addresses of the video in the reserved portion of the
memory.

Claim 2 (cancelled)

Claim 3 (previously presented): The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein the video CD-ROM system plays the video from the starting address to the ending address.

Claim 4 (original): The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein the returning step further comprises the steps of:

reading the return address from the reserved portion of the memory; and
loading a return file corresponding to the return address.

Claim 5 (original): The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein the video is selected by a user in the browser mode.

Claim 6 (previously presented): A method for switching between browser and video modes in a standalone video CD-ROM system for playing a CD-ROM disk, the method comprising the steps of:

loading data segment of a browser program into a memory unit other than the CD-ROM disk to enable a user to browse the content of the CD-ROM disk in the browser mode;

selecting a video to play within the browser mode;

switching from the browser mode to the video mode;

playing the selected video in the video mode; and

returning to the browser mode to enable the user to resume browsing the content of the CD-ROM disk.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein the switching step further comprises the steps of:

reserving a portion of the memory unit;

storing a return address in the reserved portion of the memory unit; and

storing the starting and ending addresses of the video in the reserved portion of the memory unit.

Claim 8 (original): The method as recited in Claim 7 wherein the video CD-ROM system plays the video from the starting address to the ending address.

Claim 9 (original): The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein the returning step further comprises the steps of:

reading the return address from the reserved portion of the memory; loading data segment of the browser program; and loading a return file corresponding to the return address.

Claim 10 (original): The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein the video is selected by a user in the browser mode.

Claim 11 (cancelled)

Claim 12 (cancelled)

Claim 13 (cancelled)

Claim 14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (cancelled)

Claim 16 (previously presented): A standalone video CD-ROM system comprising:

a video CD-ROM disk containing a browser program and data including text, graphics, images, audio, and video;

a means for browsing the video CD-ROM disk;

a video CD player for playing back the content of the video CD-ROM disk in first and second modes wherein the first mode plays back data excluding video and the second mode plays back video only;

a means for selecting a video to play back; and

a means, responsive to the selecting means, for switching from the first

mode to the second mode to play back the video and then back to the first mode,

wherein the switching means further comprises

a means for reserving a portion of a memory other than the CD-ROM;

a means for storing a return address in the reserved portion of the memory; and

a means for storing the starting and ending addresses of the selected video in the reserved portion of the memory.

Claim 17 (currently amended): A process for use in the ~~[[The]]~~ video CD-ROM system as recited in Claim 16, said process ~~[[further]]~~ comprising:

reading the return address from the reserved portion of the memory; and loading a return file corresponding to the return address.

Claim 18 (currently amended): The video CD-ROM system as recited in Claim 16 ~~[[17]]~~ wherein the first mode is a browser mode and the second mode is a video mode

Claim 19 (currently amended): The video CD-ROM system as recited in Claim 16 [[17]] wherein the video is selected by a user.

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Claim 20 (new): One or more processor readable storage devices having processor readable code embodied on said processor readable storage devices, said processor readable code for programming one or more processors to perform a process switching between browser mode and video mode in a standalone CD-ROM system, comprising:

selecting, within the browser mode, a video for playback;

switching from the browser mode to a video mode;

playing the selected video in the video mode; and

returning to the browser mode to enable the user to resume browsing the content of the CD-ROM disk,

wherein the switching further comprises:

reserving a portion of a memory other than the CD-ROM disk;

storing a return address in the reserved portion of the memory; and

storing the starting and ending addresses of the video in the reserved portion of the memory.

Claim 21 (new): The one or more processor readable storage devices of claim 20 wherein the video CD-ROM system plays the video from the starting address to the ending address.

Claim 22 (new): The one or more processor readable storage devices of claim 20 wherein the returning comprises:

reading the return address from the reserved portion of the memory; and

loading a return file corresponding to the return address.

Claim 23 (new): The one or more processor readable storage devices of claim 20 wherein the video is selected by a user in the browser mode.

Claim 24 (new): One or more processor readable storage devices having processor readable code embodied on said processor readable storage devices, said processor readable code for programming one or more processors to perform a process switching between browser and video modes in a standalone video CD-Rom system for playing a CD-ROM disk, the process comprising:

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loading data segment of a browser program into a memory unit other than the CD-ROM disk to enable a user to browse the content of the CD-ROM disk in the browser mode;

selecting a video to play within the browser mode;

switching from the browser mode to the video mode;

playing the selected video in the video mode; and

returning to the browser mode to enable the user to resume browsing the content of the CD-ROM disk.

Claim 25 (new): The one or more processor readable storage devices of claim 24 wherein the switching comprises:

reserving a portion of the memory unit;

storing a return address in the reserved portion of the memory unit; and

storing the starting and ending addresses of the video in the reserved portion of the memory unit.

Claim 26 (new): The one or more processor readable storage devices of claim 25 wherein the video CD-ROM system plays the video from the starting address to the ending address.

Claim 27 (new): The one or more processor readable storage devices of claim 24 wherein the returning comprises:

reading the return address from the reserved portion of the memory;

loading data segment of the browser program;

and loading a return file corresponding to the return address.

Claim 28 (new): The one or more processor readable storage devices of claim 24 wherein the video is selected by a user in the browser mode.

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